

SENATE BILL 2593

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to teacher licenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-106(g), is amended by deleting "school year" wherever it appears and substituting ", 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-108, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

Notwithstanding § 49-6-6006 or any law to the contrary, the state board of education shall promulgate rules to create a teacher licensure exemption and an endorsement exemption in the event that an LEA or public charter school is unable to secure a qualified teacher with a valid license for the vacancy that exists due to a state of emergency issued by the governor pursuant to § 58-2-107. The rules must be promulgated in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.